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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to prosecution, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 20-38 without prejudice, and add the following new claims:

39. A fertilizer composition comprising malt extract or spent grain liquor, wherein said composition contains less than 0.5% lime w/w.
40. A fertilizer composition according to claim 39, wherein the malt extract or spent grain liquor comprises cations, free amino nitrogen, glucans, carbohydrates, sugars, amino acid peptides, and polyphenols.